



Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.*

紫金礦業集團股份有限公司

(a joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(Stock Code: 2899)

ANNOUNCEMENT

UNAUDITED INTERIM RESULTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED

30 JUNE 2008

The board of directors (the "Board") of Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.* (the "Company") announces the unaudited results of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the six months ended 30 June 2008 (the "reporting period"). This report has been reviewed and passed by the Board and the audit committee.

1. GROUP'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY (AS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS)

In this report, unless otherwise indicated in the context, the currency is RMB.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

	Notes	For the six months ended 30 June	
		2008 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2007 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
REVENUE	1	8,212,654	6,673,418
Cost of sales	2	<u>(4,890,592)</u>	<u>(4,107,399)</u>
Gross profit		3,322,062	2,566,019
Other income and gains	1	214,051	151,956
Selling and distribution costs		(131,011)	(110,278)
Administrative expenses		(358,411)	(229,158)
Finance costs	4	(151,707)	(130,898)
Other operating costs		(135,809)	(201,989)
Share of profit and losses of			
Associates		15,994	51,086
Jointly-controlled entities		<u>10,365</u>	<u>-</u>
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		2,785,534	2,096,738
Tax	5	<u>(569,655)</u>	<u>(453,599)</u>
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		<u>2,215,879</u>	<u>1,643,139</u>
Attributable to:			
Equity holder of the parent		1,742,397	1,201,833
Minority interests		<u>473,482</u>	<u>441,306</u>
		<u>2,215,879</u>	<u>1,643,139</u>
PROPOSED INTERIM DIVIDEND		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
EARNINGS PER SHARE ATTRIBUTABLE TO ORDINARY EQUITY HOLDERS OF THE PARENT		<u>RMB0.13</u>	<u>RMB0.09</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 June 2008

	30 June 2008 RMB '000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2007 RMB '000 (Audited)
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Property, plant and equipment	6,830,231	6,003,718
Investment properties	56,845	58,329
Prepaid land lease payments	214,338	156,740
Long-term deferred assets	547,065	483,796
Other assets	2,838,243	1,604,573
Other intangible assets	1,857,300	1,615,470
Goodwill	495,741	339,132
Interests in associates	1,312,238	1,374,378
Interests in jointly-controlled entities	262,674	274,937
Available-for-sale investments	499,200	462,178
Deferred tax assets	19,720	29,917
Total non-current assets	14,933,595	12,403,168
CURRENT ASSETS		
Inventories	1,416,667	1,044,245
Prepayments, deposits and other receivables	1,358,405	662,054
Trade receivables	401,157	293,870
Bills receivable	161,322	52,346
Equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	126,159	102,439
Derivative financial instruments	-	4,440
Pledged deposits	62,680	52,088
Cash and cash equivalents	7,138,795	2,184,510
Total current assets	10,665,185	4,395,992
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accrued liabilities and other payables	1,738,888	1,844,215
Trade and bills payables	871,916	590,262
Interest-bearing bank and other loans	1,686,728	3,682,778
Government grants	18,796	17,744
Tax payable	558,777	521,191
Derivative financial instruments	7,208	-
Total current liabilities	4,882,313	6,656,190
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)	5,782,872	(2,260,198)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	20,716,467	10,142,970
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Interest-bearing bank and other loans	1,234,321	2,759,660
Provision for land restoration and environmental costs	60,002	50,856
Long-term other payables	206,153	185,713
Deferred tax liabilities	25,674	28,128
Total non-current liabilities	1,526,150	3,024,357
Net assets	19,190,317	7,118,613
EQUITY		
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent		
Issued capital	1,454,131	1,314,130
Reserves	15,507,893	4,022,896
	16,962,024	5,337,026
Minority interests	2,228,293	1,781,587
Total equity	19,190,317	7,118,613

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

As at 30 June 2008

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net cash inflow from operating activities	1,813,764	1,501,446
Net cash outflow from investing activities	(3,513,220)	(2,041,663)
Net cash inflow from financing activities	<u>6,671,659</u>	<u>836,197</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	4,972,203	295,980
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	2,184,510	1,939,408
Effect of foreign exchange rate changes, net	<u>(17,918)</u>	<u>-</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u><u>7,138,795</u></u>	<u><u>2,235,388</u></u>

Notes:

(1) Segment information

Segment information is presented by way of the Group's primary segment reporting basis, by business segment. In determining the Group's geographical segments, revenues are attributed to the segments based on the location of the customers. No further geographical segment information is presented as over 90% of the Group's revenue is derived from customers based in Mainland China.

The Group's operating businesses are structured and managed separately according to the nature of their operations and the products and services they provide. Each of the Group's business segments represents a strategic business unit that offers products and services, which are subject to risks and returns that are different from those of the other business segments. Summary details of the business segments are as follows:

- (a) the ore-produced gold segment is the production of gold bullions through the Group's integrated processes, i.e. mining, processing and refining;
- (b) the processed gold segment is the production of gold bullions by refining gold ore;
- (c) the copper cathodes segment is the production of copper cathodes;
- (d) the zinc bullions segment is the production of zinc bullions;
- (e) the ore concentrates segment comprises, principally, the production of gold concentrates, copper concentrates, zinc concentrates and iron concentrates; and
- (f) the corporate and other segment comprises, principally, the production of vitriol, copper ashes, silver, etc.

Intersegment sales and transfers are transacted with reference to the selling prices used for sales made to third parties at the then prevailing market prices.

Six months ended 30 June 2008 (Unaudited)	Ore-produced gold RMB'000	Processed gold RMB'000	Copper cathodes RMB'000	Zinc bullions RMB'000	Ore concentrates RMB'000	Corporate and others RMB'000	Eliminations RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
Segment revenue:								
Sales to external customers	2,407,739	2,575,699	198,307	793,672	1,840,278	396,959	-	8,212,654
Intersegment sales	3,176	80,806	43,746	471	137,790	130,782	(396,771)	-
Total	2,410,915	2,656,505	242,053	794,143	1,978,068	527,741	(396,771)	8,212,654
Segment results	1,540,539	(6,587)	138,861	80,132	1,087,291	191,611	-	3,031,847

Six months ended 30 June 2007 (Unaudited)	Ore-produced gold RMB'000	Processed gold RMB'000	Copper cathodes RMB'000	Zinc bullions RMB'000	Ore concentrates RMB'000	Corporate and others RMB'000	Eliminations RMB'000	Consolidated RMB'000
Segment revenue:								
Sales to external customers	1,593,893	2,013,584	143,345	1,475,406	1,340,547	106,643	-	6,673,418
Intersegment sales	21,688	-	9,671	-	405,305	46,304	(482,968)	-
Total	1,615,581	2,013,584	153,016	1,475,406	1,745,852	152,947	(482,968)	6,673,418
Segment results	989,089	2,303	95,915	345,248	753,186	106,052	-	2,291,793

(2) Revenue, other income and gains

Revenue, which is also the Group's turnover, represents the net invoiced value of goods sold, net of trade discounts and returns.

An analysis of revenue, other income and gains is as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue:		
Sale of gold bullions and gold concentrates	5,307,084	3,904,350
Sale of iron concentrates	419,302	176,837
Sale of copper concentrates	1,008,734	887,556
Sale of copper cathodes	211,753	147,204
Sale of zinc concentrates	18,555	60,062
Sale of zinc bullions	795,866	1,478,129
Others	557,241	84,479
Less: Sales taxes and levies (note)	(105,881)	(65,199)
	<u>8,212,654</u>	<u>6,673,418</u>
Other income:		
Bank interest income	56,788	10,572
Rental income	3,429	1,832
Processing income	439	96
Dividend income	16,863	19,187
Profit from a jointly-controlled operation	4,625	13,634
Others	43,038	34,374
	<u>125,182</u>	<u>79,695</u>
Gains:		
Gain on equity investments at fair value through profit or loss	61,160	72,261
Exchange gains	27,709	-
	<u>88,869</u>	<u>72,261</u>
	<u>214,051</u>	<u>151,956</u>

Note: Sales taxes and levies consisted of resources tax, business tax, education surcharge and city construction tax.

(3) Profit before tax

The Group's profit before tax is arrived at after charging/(crediting):

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Cost of inventories sold	4,807,242	4,063,777
Provision for land restoration and rehabilitation costs	-	7,186
Amortisation of prepaid land lease payments*	5,270	2,629
Amortisation of long-term deferred assets*	41,317	11,638
Amortisation of other intangible assets*	<u>36,763</u>	<u>22,169</u>
	4,890,592	4,107,399
Depreciation (note (i))	211,659	171,585
Research and development expenditures	19,494	20,218
Staff costs (Including directors' remuneration)		
Salaries and other staff cost (note (ii))	329,714	286,861
Retirement benefits - defined contribution fund (note (iii))	<u>29,583</u>	<u>14,680</u>
	359,297	301,541
Provision for inventory obsolescence	75	48
Reversal of provision for impairment of trade receivables**	-	(95)
Reversal of provision for impairment of other receivables**	-	(1,817)
Provision for impairment of other intangible assets**	-	10,000
Provision for impairment of other non-current assets**	-	178
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment**	2,451	3,547
Donations**	<u>74,110</u>	<u>108,811</u>

* Items classified under "Administrative expenses" in the consolidated income statement.

** Items classified under "Other operating costs" in the consolidated income statement.

Notes:

- (i) Depreciation cost of approximately RMB211,659,000 was included in the cost of sales for the six months ended 30 June 2008 (2007: RMB171,585,000).
- (ii) Staff costs of approximately RMB329,714,000 were included in the cost of sales for the six months ended 30 June 2008 (2007: RMB286,861,000).
- (iii) According to relevant rules and regulations of the PRC, the Company and its subsidiaries incorporated in the PRC participate in a defined contribution retirement plan. All employees are entitled to an annual pension equal to a fixed proportion of the average basic salary amount within the geographical area of their last employment at their retirement date. The Company and its subsidiaries are required to make contributions to the local social security bureau at rates ranging from 11% to 25% of the prior year's average basic salaries within the geographical area where the employees are under employment with the Company and its subsidiaries. The Company and its subsidiaries have no obligation for the payment of pension benefits beyond the annual contributions to the local social security bureau as set out above.

(4) Finance costs

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2007 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Interest on bank and other loans	184,004	144,192
Less: interest capitalised as construction in progress	<u>(32,297)</u>	<u>(13,294)</u>
	<u>151,707</u>	<u>130,898</u>

The interest capitalised represents the cost of capital from raising the related borrowings and the interest capitalisation rate ranges from 5.18% to 7.2% per annum (six months ended 30 June 2007: 2.25% to 6.7% per annum).

(5) Tax

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	2007 RMB'000 (Unaudited)
Group:		
Current - Hong Kong	-	-
- Mainland China	568,725	402,826
Underprovision/(overprovision) in prior years	(6,814)	28,334
Overprovision in the period	<u>7,744</u>	<u>22,439</u>
	<u>569,655</u>	<u>453,599</u>

- (1) Pursuant to "Guo Shui Han [2003] No. 1239", "Guo Shui Fa [2005] No. 129", issued by the State Tax Bureau, and "Ji Guo Shui Han [2005] No. 43", "Ji Guo Shui Han [2006] No. 80" issued by the State Tax Bureau in Jilin Province, Hunchun Zijin Mining Company Limited ("Hunchun Zijin") was confirmed as a newly incorporated enterprise located in "old district, minority tribes area, frontier area, and poor area" and qualified as promoted enterprise in western region. Hunchun Zijin was exempt from corporate income tax for the year 2005 and was granted a tax concession at a rate of 15% for the years 2006 to 2010. Hunchun will be taxed on 25% thereafter.
- (2) Pursuant to "Guo Shui Fa [1996] No. 23", "Guo Ban Fa [2001] No. 73", "Yun Guo Shui Han [2005] No. 120", and "Kun Guo Shui Han [2005] No. 191" issued by the State Tax Bureau, General Office of the State Council, State Tax Bureau in Yunnan Province and State Tax Bureau in Kunming respectively, Yunnan Huaxi Mining Resources Company Limited ("Yunnan Huaxi") was exempt from corporate income for the years 2004 to 2006 and was granted a tax concession of 50% reduction for the years 2007 and 2008, i.e. corporate income tax at a rate of 16.5%.
- (3) Pursuant to "Cai Shui Zi [1994] No. 001" issued by Ministry of Finance and the State Tax Bureau, the first article the forth section of first item of "Yun Guo Shui Fa [1998] No. 165" issued by State Tax Bureau in Yunnan Province, and the written instruction of "Yun Guo Shui Han [2005] No. 508" endorsed by State Tax Bureau in Yunnan Province, Wuding County Yunye Jinyuan Mining Company Limited ("Yunye Jinyuan") was exempt from corporate income from year 2005 to 2007.
- (4) Pursuant to "Guo Fa [2000] No. 33", "Guo Ban Fa [2001] No. 73", and "Xin Di Shui Han [2005] No. 522" issued by the State Council, General Office of the State Council, and local Tax Bureau of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region respectively, Xinjiang Jin Bao Mining Company Limited ("Xinjiang Jin Bao") is exempt from corporate income tax for the years 2004 to 2007 as it was the investing enterprise outside the area.
- (5) Pursuant to "Guo Fa [2000] No. 33", "Guo Ban Fa [2001] No. 73", and "Ha Di Shui Han [2005] No. 80" issued by the State Council, General Office of the State Council, and local Tax Bureau of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region HaBahe County respectively, Xinjiang Ashele Copper Company Limited ("Xinjiang Ashele"), located in the western region of Mainland China, is exempt from corporate income tax for the years of 2005 to 2009. In addition, Xinjiang Ashele was granted a tax concession at a preferential rate of 15% from 2010 onwards.

(5) Tax (continued)

- (6) Pursuant to “Guo Shui Fa [2002] No. 47” issued by the State Council and “Qian Di Shui Han [2003] No.317” issued by the local Tax Bureau of Guizhou Province, Guizhou Zijin Mining Company Limited (“Guizhou Zijin”), located in the western region of Mainland China, was granted a tax concession at a preferential rate of 15%. The preferential tax rate is applicable to qualified operations in specified regions with retrospective effect from the years of 2004 to 2010. Guizhou Zijin paid corporate income tax at a preferential rate of 15% for years 2005 to 2007.
- (7) Pursuant to “Cai Shui Zi [1986] No. 122” and “Cai Shui Zi [1987] No. 115” issued by Ministry of Finance and State Tax Bureau, Xiamen Zijin Technology Company Limited (“Xiamen Zijin”) is taxed at the preferential tax rate of 15% as it was established in the Xiamen Special Economic Zone.
- (8) Pursuant to the circular of the Ministry of Finance, the State Tax Bureau, and China Customs on “Preferential Taxation Policies on the Western Region Development” (“Cai Shui [2001] no.202”), and circular of the State Tax Bureau on “Suggestions on the Implementation of Taxation Policies Pertaining to the Development of the Western Region” (“Guo Shui [2002] No.47”), approved by the local Tax Bureau of Bayannaoer district (“Ba Guo Shui Han [2006] No.10”), Bayannaoer Zijin Non-ferrous Metals Company Limited (“Bayannaoer Zijin”), located in Western Region of Mainland China, was granted a tax concession at a preferential rate of 15%. The preferential tax rate is applicable to qualified operations in promoted enterprises with retrospective effect for the years 2005 to 2007.
- (9) Pursuant to “Cai Shui Zi [1994] No. 001”, “Yun Cai Shui [2003] No. 19”, issued by Ministry of Finance and the State Tax Bureau, approved by “Guang Guo Shui Han [2005] No. 32”, Guangnan County Longxing Mining Company Limited was exempt from corporate income tax from years 2005 to 2007.
- (10) Pursuant to the requirements of the 57th article of “Cai Shui Zi [1994] No. 001” issued by Ministry of Finance and the State Tax Bureau, approved by State Tax Bureau in Fujian Province Shanghang County, Fujian Zijin Mining and Metallurgy Test Company Limited was granted a tax concession of 70% reduction on the taxation for the year 2007. The total reduction of corporate income tax amounted to RMB370,000 for the year 2007.
- (11) Pursuant to the 57th article stipulation of “Cai Shui Zi [1994] No. 001”, issued by Ministry of Finance and the State Tax Bureau, approved by State Tax Bureau in Fujian Shanghang County, Fujian Zijin Hotel Management Company Limited was granted a tax concession of 70% reduction on the taxation for the years 2007 to 2009. The total reduction of corporate income tax amounted to RMB410,000 for the year 2007.
- (12) Pursuant to “Guo Shui Han [2003] No. 1239”, “Guo Shui Fa [2005] No. 129” and “Yun Guo Shui Fa [2002] No. 102” issued by the State Tax Bureau, approved by the State Tax Bureau of Yunnan Province Yuanyang County, Yuanyang County Huaxi Gold Company Limited was granted a tax concession at a preferential rate of 15% for the years 2006 to 2010 and at a rate of 25% thereafter.
- (13) Pursuant to “Guo Shui Fa [1998] No. 45”, “Yun Guo Shui Fa [1998] No. 165” and “Yun Guo Shui Fa [2002] No. 144” issued by Ministry of Finance and the State Tax Bureau, approved by the State Tax Bureau of Yuanyang County, Yuanyang County Xinjie Town Zhengyuan Mining Company Limited was exempt from corporate income tax for the years from 2005 to 2007.

(5) Tax (continued)

A reconciliation of the tax expense applicable to profit before tax using the statutory rates for the locations in which the Company, its subsidiaries and associates are domiciled to the tax expense at the effective tax rates, and a reconciliation of the applicable rates (i.e., the statutory tax rates) to the effective tax rates, are as follows:

	For the 6 months ended 30 June			
	2008		2007	
	RMB'000 (Unaudited)	%	RMB'000 (Unaudited)	%
Profit before tax	2,785,534		2,096,738	
At the PRC statutory tax rate	696,384	25.00	691,923	33.00
Expenses not deductible for tax	5,124	0.18	12,062	0.58
Income not subject to tax	(7,311)	(0.26)	(5,159)	(0.25)
Differential tax rate on the profit of certain subsidiaries	(116,556)	(4.18)	(256,703)	(12.24)
Profits and losses attributable to associates and jointly-controlled entities	(8,915)	(0.32)	(16,858)	(0.80)
Underprovision/(overprovision) in prior years	(6,814)	(0.24)	28,334	1.35
Current period change in deferred tax	7,743	0.28	-	-
Tax charge at the Group's effective rate	569,655	20.46	453,599	21.64

Pursuant to the "Corporate Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China" approved on 16 March 2007 and "Implementation of Corporate Income Tax Law of the People's Republic of China" issued by the National People's Congress and China State Council, the Company's applicable corporate income tax rate is of 25% with effect from 1 January 2008.

There is no income tax implication attached to the dividends distributed by the Company to its shareholders.

(6) Earnings per share attributable to ordinary equity holder of the parent

On the basis of the Group's profit attributable to equity holders of the parent in the sum of RMB1,742,397,000 during the reporting period (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB1,201,833,000) and the total number of 14,541,309,100 ordinary shares in issue during the reporting period, the earnings per share attributable to the ordinary equity holders of the parent is RMB0.13. (The total number of issued shares the Company was 14,541,309,100 and 13,141,309,100 as at 30 June 2008 and 2007 respectively. For the purpose of providing comparable figures, the earnings per share as at 30 June 2007 was RMB0.09 on the basis of increasing 10.6% of the number of shares as at 30 June 2007 to 14,541,309,100 ordinary shares.)

Diluted earnings per share for the six months ended 30 June 2007 and 2008 have not been disclosed as there were no diluting events during these periods.

2. GROUP'S FINANCIAL SUMMARY (AS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHINA ACCOUNTING STANDARDS)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

For the six months ended 30 June 2008

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	<i>RMB'000</i>	<i>RMB'000</i>
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
REVENUE	8,318,535	6,738,617
Less: Cost of sales	(4,825,317)	(4,046,144)
Business tax and surcharges	(105,881)	(65,199)
Add: Profit from other operations	33,968	41,330
Selling and distribution costs	(131,011)	(110,278)
Administrative expenses	(421,434)	(289,197)
Finance costs	(69,462)	(122,035)
Impairment on assets	(75)	(10,003)
Add: Gain from changes in fair value	(35,895)	68,589
Investment income	91,365	3,000
Including: investment income from associates and jointly-controlled entities	<u>26,359</u>	<u>51,086</u>
PROFIT FROM OPERATIONS	2,854,793	2,208,680
Add: Non-operating income	17,564	8,143
Non-operating expenses	(86,823)	(120,466)
Including: loss on disposal of non-current assets	<u>(5,729)</u>	<u>(4,341)</u>
TOTAL PROFIT	2,785,534	2,096,357
Income tax	<u>(569,655)</u>	<u>(453,599)</u>
NET PROFIT	<u>2,215,879</u>	<u>1,642,758</u>
Net profit attributable to the equity holders of the parent	<u>1,742,397</u>	<u>1,201,452</u>
Minority interests	<u>473,482</u>	<u>441,306</u>

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 June 2008

	30 June 2008 RMB'000 (Unaudited)	31 December 2007 RMB'000 (Audited)
ASSETS		
Current assets:		
Cash and bank balances	7,201,475	2,236,598
Financial assets	126,159	106,879
Bills receivables	161,322	52,346
Dividend receivables	1,844	-
Accounts receivables	401,157	293,870
Prepayment	504,365	294,656
Other receivables	708,127	340,390
Inventories	1,416,667	1,044,245
Other current assets	144,069	56,138
Total current assets	10,665,185	4,425,122
Non-current assets:		
Available-for-sales financial assets	301,620	301,526
Long-term receivables	630	-
Long-term equity investments	1,772,492	1,780,838
Investment properties	56,845	58,329
Fixed assets	4,399,067	4,103,007
Construction materials	154,613	148,970
Construction-in-progress	2,276,552	1,751,741
Intangible assets	2,071,638	1,772,210
Goodwill	495,741	339,132
Long-term deferred assets	547,065	483,796
Other long term assets	2,837,612	1,604,573
Deferred tax assets	19,720	29,917
Total non-current assets	14,933,595	12,374,039
Total assets	25,598,780	16,799,161

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

As at 30 June 2008

	30 June 2008 <i>RMB'000</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2007 <i>RMB'000</i> (Audited)
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current liabilities:		
Short term loans	1,388,728	3,289,978
Financial liabilities	7,208	-
Bills payable	16,393	795
Accounts payables	855,523	589,467
Receipt in advance	269,922	107,589
Salary payables	131,382	129,695
Dividend payables	25,435	27,648
Tax payable	786,301	766,845
Interest payable	39	19
Other payables	1,069,557	1,318,216
Current portion of long-term liabilities	311,611	407,639
Other current liabilities	1,418	553
Total current liabilities	<u>4,863,517</u>	<u>6,638,444</u>
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term loans	1,234,321	2,759,660
Long-term payables	266,153	236,570
Provisions	18,798	17,744
Deferred tax liabilities	25,674	28,128
Total non-current liabilities	<u>1,544,946</u>	<u>3,042,102</u>
Total liabilities	<u>6,408,463</u>	<u>9,680,546</u>
Shareholders' equity:		
Share capital	1,454,131	1,314,131
Capital reserve	9,921,297	155,648
Reserve funds	754,831	754,831
Retained profits	4,895,206	3,152,552
Exchange differences arising on translation of foreign currency denominated financial statements	(63,441)	(40,134)
Shareholder's equity attributable to the parent	<u>16,962,024</u>	<u>5,337,028</u>
Minority interests	<u>2,228,293</u>	<u>1,781,587</u>
Total shareholder's equity	<u>19,190,317</u>	<u>7,118,615</u>
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	<u>25,598,780</u>	<u>16,799,161</u>

EFFECTS OF SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN IFRS AND CAS

Effects of significant differences between net profit under CAS and profit attributable to equity holders of the Company under IFRS are analysed as follows:

	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008	2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Net profit under CAS	2,215,879	1,642,759
Difference in depreciation and disposal from restatement of property, plant and equipment	-	380
Profit attributable to equity holders of the parent under IFRS	<u>2,215,879</u>	<u>1,643,139</u>

Effects of significant differences between equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company under CAS and IFRS are analysed as follows:

	30 June 2008	31 December 2007
	RMB'000	RMB'000
	(Unaudited)	(Audited)
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent under CAS	16,962,024	5,337,026
Difference in depreciation and disposal from restatement of property, plant and equipment	-	-
Equity attributable to equity holders of the parent under IFRS	<u>16,962,024</u>	<u>5,337,026</u>

3. OPERATION OVERVIEW

Market review

In the first half of 2008, the adverse influence of subprime mortgage crisis in United States, the devaluation of the US Dollar and the upsurge of crude oil prices contributed to the high price of gold. The international opening price of gold was US\$841 per ounce (1 January 2008) and the closing price was US\$924.99 per ounce (30 June 2008). During the reporting period, the gold price reached the highest of US\$1,011.5 per ounce. The average trading price at the Shanghai Gold Exchange was RMB206.98 per gramme, which increased by RMB43.60 per gramme when compared with the same period last year, representing a 26.7% increase. The Group's average selling price of gold during the first half year was RMB204.75 per gramme (approximately US\$910 per ounce) representing a net increase of RMB41.58 per gramme or 25.48% when compared to the same period of last year (RMB163.17 per gramme).

In the first half of 2008, production of gold in the PRC was noticeably increased. The domestic gold production was 129,089 tonnes, representing a 5.63% growth when compared with the same period last year, among which, 104,794 tonnes of gold were ore-produced gold, representing an 6.93% growth. The gold industry realised RMB60,177,900,000 of production value and RMB6,610,000,000 of profit, representing 88.9% and 90.61% growth respectively when compared with the same period last year. The profit of gold has risen more than its volume of production. The Group's ore-produced gold and its profit represented 13.12% and 29.62% respectively of the PRC total production from ore-produced gold and the PRC's total profits.

In the first half of 2008, the price of copper fluctuated but went up despite various market factors. The opening middle copper price of LME in March was US\$6,705 per tonne, which was also the lowest price of the first half of the year and the closing price was US\$8,584.75 per tonne. During the period, it reached its highest price of US\$8,805 per tonne. The trend of Shanghai copper price was similar to that of the LME copper price.

In the first half of 2008, there is a substantial reduction in the price of zinc. The opening middle zinc price of LME was US\$2,403 per tonne, the closing price was US\$1,911 per tonne. During the period, it reached its highest price of US\$2,840.25 per tonne, and its lowest of US\$1,857 per tonne. The price of zinc fell significantly when compared with the same period last year. The Group's selling price for zinc bullions represents a 38.08% decrease when compared with the same period last year.

1 troy ounce = 31.1035 gramme

4. PRODUCTION AND OPERATION

Operation overview

During the reporting period, the Group produced 26,709kg (858,714 ounces) of gold in total, representing a 19.93% growth when compared with the corresponding period last year (22,271kg), among which, 13,758kg (442,330 ounces) was ore-produced gold and 12,951kg (416,384 ounces) was refinery gold, representing a 33.99% and a 7.91% growth respectively when compared with the corresponding period last year (10,268kg and 12,002kg). The Group produced 23,995 tonnes of copper, representing a 12.34% growth over the same period last year (21,358 tonnes). The Group produced 69,182 tonnes of zinc, which decreased by 12.15% when compared with the same period last year (78,754 tonnes), among which, 52,053 tonnes was zinc bullions (same period in 2007: 55,825 tonnes), and 17,129 tonnes was zinc concentrates (same period in 2007: 22,929 tonnes). The Group produced 383,564 tonnes of iron concentrates, representing a 14.08% growth over the same period last year (336,222 tonnes). The Group produced 51,605kg of silver, which represents a 100% growth over the same period last year (25,740kg), among which, 41,321kg was ore-produced silver and 10,284kg was processed silver.

During the reporting period, the Group generated a turnover of RMB8,212,654,000 (2007: RMB6,673,418,000) and realised a net profit of RMB1,742,397,000 (2007: RMB1,201,833,000), representing 23.07% and 44.97% growth respectively when compared with the corresponding period last year.

1. *Gold Mine Business*

During the reporting period, the Group produced 13,758 kg (442,330 ounces) of ore-produced gold representing a 33.99% growth over the same period last year, among which Zijinshan Gold Mine produced 8,431kg (271,063 ounces); Guizhou Shuiyindong Gold Mine produced 1,455kg (46,779 ounces); Hunchun Shuguang Gold Copper Mine produced gold concentrates containing 789kg (25,366 ounces) gold. In total, the above three mines produced about 77.60% of the Group's total ore-produced gold. Other mines produced 3,083kg (99,121 ounces) gold and gold associated with other metals, representing approximately 22.40% of the Group's total ore-produced gold, among which, the mines in Tajikistan ZGC produced 441kg (14,178 ounces), with a gross profit of US\$660,000, which ends the loss making period in the past 10 years of that company.

During the reporting period, the Group produced 12,951kg (416,384 ounces) of refinery gold, representing a growth of 7.91% over the same period last year, of which, Luoyang Zijin Yinhui produced 11,986 kg (385,359 ounces); Xiamen Zijin Science and Technology produced 285kg (9,163 ounces); and Fujian Jinshan Gold Refinery Plant produced 282kg (9,067 ounces) of refinery gold in its trial production this year.

Sales income generated from gold business of the Group represented approximately 63.79% of the total sales income during the reporting period, and net profit from the gold business represented about 63.85% of the total net profit.

2. *Copper Mine Business*

During the reporting period, the Group produced 23,995 tonnes of ore-produced copper, representing a 12.34% growth when compared with the same period in the last year, of which, Ashele Copper Mine produced copper concentrates consisting of 11,300 tonnes. Zijinshan Copper Mine produced 4,794 tonnes copper cathodes. Hunchun Shuguang Gold Copper Mine produced copper concentrates consisting of 2,124 tonnes. Qinghai Deerni Copper Mine produced copper concentrates consisting of 4,575 tonnes.

Sales income from copper business of the Group represented approximately 14.67% of the total sales income of the Group during the reporting period, and net profit from the copper business represented about 24.91% of the total net profit of the Group.

3. *Zinc Mine and Lead Mine Business*

During the reporting period, the Group produced 69,182 tonnes of zinc, which decreased by 12.15% when compared with the corresponding period last year. Among which: 52,053 tonnes was zinc bullions, 17,129 tonnes was zinc concentrates (14,862 tonnes of zinc was sold to Bayannaer Zijin Zinc Refinery Plant); 52,053 tonnes of zinc bullions was produced by Bayannaer Zijin Zinc Refinery Plant; Wulatehouqi Zijin produced zinc concentrates consisting of 10,683 tonnes, Ashele Copper Mine produced 2,678 tonnes of zinc from other associated metals. During the reporting period, the Group produced lead concentrates consisting of 1,977 tonnes.

During the reporting period, sales income from zinc and lead business of the Group represented approximately 9.79% of the total sales income of the Group, and net profit from the zinc and lead business represented about 1.92% of the total net profit of the Group.

4. *Other Business*

During the reporting period, the Group produced 383,564 tonnes of iron concentrates, representing a 14.08% of growth when compared with the same period last year; and produced 51,605kg of silver (among which, 41,321kg was ore-produced silver), representing a 100% of growth when compared with the same period last year; and produced 105,334 tonnes of associated vitriol products. Fuyun Jinshan, which commenced production this year, produced 16,181 tonnes of reduction iron; Zijin Copper produced 3,335 tonnes of copper alloys.

Sales income from the Group's iron ore and other business represented approximately 11.75% of the total sales income of the Group during the reporting period, and net profit of iron ore and other business represented about 9.32% of the total net profit.

5. *Investment*

In the first half of 2008, the Group evaluated 36 projects in the PRC and abroad. More emphasis was put on to the mines that could commence production and have return as soon as practicable according to the strategies and allocation resources. Currently, acquisition of Gansuli County Dujiagou gold mine has been completed. It is expected that two acquisition projects will be completed in the second half of 2008. Further, the Group is in the course of following up with the gold mines project overseas and seeking approval.

6. *Projects Construction*

During the reporting period, in relation to the projects in the PRC, Zijinshan Gold Copper Mine joint mining project has achieved good results. Hunchun Shuguang Gold Copper Mine technological renovation project and project of the second gold refinery plant was basically completed. The production of Deerni Copper Mine is gradually improving; the gold mine and zinc mine of Xinyi Zijin is expected to commence trial production by the end of the year, the construction of Duobaoshan Copper Mine, the preparation work of the comprehensive tailing project of Ashele Copper Mine and Deerni Copper Mine have been accelerated.

For the international projects, the problems of imbalance of exploitation and stripping, and also the problem of abnormal supply of materials in relation to the ZGC project have been solved. 441kg of gold was produced in the first half of the year, with a profit of US\$660,000. Tuva Lead Zinc Mine project was approved by the responsible department in Russia. The production is expected to commence in this year pending the granting of the production permit.

7. *Geological Exploration and Management of Mining Rights*

During the reporting period, the Group has obtained 11 new exploration rights, covering an area of 269.66 sq.km. The Group has also disposed of 6 exploration rights, covering an area of 259.52 sq.km. As at 30 June 2008, the Group owns a total of 177 exploration rights, covering an area of 5,211.79 sq.km.

As at 30 June 2008, the Group has a total of 39 mining rights, covering an area of 88.6026 sq.km. It included 7 mining rights newly acquired in this year, covering an area of 38.4789 sq.km. 1 mining right was cancelled and 1 mining right was transferred out during the period, covering an area of 1.8895 sq.km. The above mining rights covers various mineral resources including gold, copper, zinc, iron, lead, tin, antimony, tungsten and limestone, etc.

As at 30 June 2008, the Group has recorded the following metal (ore) resource/reserves: about 663.25 tonnes of gold (including 97.6 tonnes of gold associated with other metals), about 151 tonnes of platinum and palladium; about 1,475 tonnes of silver; about 9.37 million tonnes of copper, about 3.15 million tonnes of zinc, about 667,500 tonnes of nickel, about 524,700 tonnes of lead, about 385,200 tonnes of molybdenum (including 73,800 tonnes of molybdenum associated with other metals), about 100,000 tonnes of tin, about 167 million tonnes of iron ores; about 300 million tonnes of coal; about 43.97 million tonnes of bauxite; about 135.5 million tonnes of iron sulfate (standard ore)(equivalent to 47.4227 million tonnes sulfate element); and 63.5366 million tonnes iron concentrates (on equity base for non-subsidiaries).

5. MANAGEMENT REVIEW AND ANALYSIS

Operation results

For the period ended 30 June 2008, the Group's turnover was RMB8,212,654,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB6,673,418,000), representing an increased of RMB1,539,236,000 or 23.07% over the corresponding period last year.

The table below sets out details of sales of products for the six months ended 30 June 2008 and 30 June 2007 respectively:

Product	30 June 2008 (Unaudited)			30 June 2007 (Unaudited)		
	Unit price RMB	Volume	Amount RMB'000	Unit price RMB	Volume	Amount RMB'000
Gold products	204.75/g	25,920.13kg	5,307,084	163.17/g	23,926.94 kg	3,904,350
Copper concentrates	48,915/t	20,621.98t	1,008,734	46,236/t	19,196.24 t	887,556
Copper cathodes	54,539/t	3,882.56t	211,754	51,321/t	2,868 t	147,204
Zinc bullion	15,956/t	49,880t	795,866	25,767/t	57,365 t	1,478,129
Zinc concentrates	8,764/t	2,117.2t	18,555	17,851/t	3,365 t	60,062
Iron concentrates	1,130/t	370,945t	419,302	389.59/t	453,908 t	176,837
Others			557,241			84,479
Less: Sales Tax and levies			(105,882)			(65,199)
Total			<u>8,212,654</u>			<u>6,673,418</u>

Note: The sale of gold included 12,940kg refined gold. The sales volume of such product has been off-set by the Group's internal sales volume.

The Group's turnover for the first half of 2008 increased by 23.07% over the same period last year, which was mainly attributable to (i) the increase in sales of gold by 8.3% and (ii) selling prices of major products have increased substantially over the same period last year. The selling prices of gold, iron concentrates, copper concentrates, and copper cathodes have increased by 25.48%, 190%, 5.8% and 6.27% respectively over the same period last year.

Analysis of gross profit and gross profit margin

The Group is mainly engaged in development of mines. The costs of sales mainly consist of mining cost, processing cost, and refining, transportation, raw material consumption, public administrative expenses, depreciation on fixed assets, and cost of raw materials for producing refined gold. The table below sets out details of the gross profit margin for the two periods ended 30 June 2007 and 30 June 2008.

Product	For the six months ended 30 June	
	2008 %	2007 %
Gold (gold and gold concentrates from mines)	69.62	67.72
Gold (processed gold from refinery)	0.22	0.42
Copper concentrates	75.52	78.50
Copper cathodes	73.65	66.95
Zinc bullions	15.98	27.25
Zinc concentrates	43.86	70.98
Iron concentrates	81.64	58.17
Others	34.23	39.91
Overall (included refined products)	<u>40.45</u>	<u>38.45</u>
Overall (excluded refined products)	<u>73.09</u>	<u>69.26</u>

The Group's overall gross profit margin (included refined products) has increased by 2.03%, whereas the overall gross profit (excluding refined products) has increased by 3.83% respectively when compared with the same period last year.

As a result of the inflation in the PRC, the cost of staff and materials has increased considerably during the reporting period. Further, the resources tax has been levied according to the new regulation with effect from 1 August 2007 which has resulted in the increase in the cost of major products in the Group. Nevertheless, the increase in selling prices has offset the effect of increase in the production costs, thereby resulting in an increase in the overall gross profit margin.

The major factors of increase in the production costs includes: 1) the increase in the price of supplementary materials like fuel, steel etc in the PRC which resulted in the increase in the transportation cost and repair and maintenance cost to increase; 2) the increase in the staff cost, travelling expenses and office expenses; 3) the increase of salary.

In the reporting period, the average unit cost of gold was RMB62.30 per gramme, representing an increase of 18% over the same period last year, mainly attributable to the increased use of the lower grade ore. The average grading of ore has decreased. The increase in the average cost has resulted in the reduction in the gross profit margin by 5.37%. However, the selling price has increased by 25.67% when compared to the same period last year and hence the overall gross profit margin has increased by 7.1%. And also, the increase in production volume results in the increase in the gross profit margin by 0.17%. On the whole, the increase in selling price has offset the effect of increase in production, resulting in an increase of 1.9% in the total gross profit margin of the gold produced from mines.

In the reporting period, the average unit cost of copper cathodes was RMB13,683 per tonne which has decreased by 15.39% when compared to the same period last year. The decrease was mainly attributable to the fact that the mining grade in Zijinshan has been improved (selected grade in the reporting period and the same period last year were 0.51% and 0.472% respectively) and the expansion of the production scale resulted in the reduction in the fixed costs. Unit costs decreased compared with the same period last year. Owing to the decrease in the costs, increase in selling price, increase in production volume, the gross profit margin increased by 5.55%, 1.57% and 0.83% respectively. The total gross profit margin of copper cathodes was increased by 6.7% in total.

In the reporting period, the average unit cost of copper concentrates is RMB11,980 per tonne representing an increase of 21.36% over the same period last year. The increase was mainly attributable to the change in mining method, the change in mining platform and the lowering of the mining grade in the Ashele Copper Mine. The filling cost has increased and the production volume has decreased. In addition, the production costs in Deerli Copper Mine were relatively high. As a result of increase in the production costs, the gross profit margin has decreased by 4.46%. The increase in selling price resulted in an increase in the gross profit margin by 1.45%. The increase in production volume resulted in an increase in the gross profit margin to increase by 0.03%. The gross profit margin for copper concentrates has decreased by 2.98% in total.

The average selling price of iron concentrates was RMB1,130 per tonne during the reporting period which increased considerably by 190% when compared to the average selling price of RMB389.59 per tonne in the same period last year. As a result, the gross profit margin increased by 23.47%.

During the reporting period, the average unit cost of zinc concentrates is RMB4,920 per tonne which represents a decrease of 5% when compared with the same period last year. However, the selling prices of zinc concentrates and zinc bullions have decreased by 50% and 38% respectively when compared with the same period last year. The decrease in costs resulted in an increase in the gross profit margin by 2.81% while the decreases in selling price and production volume resulted in the decrease in gross profit margin by 29.96 and the decrease in production volume resulted in the increase in the gross profit margin by 0.03%. The gross profit margin has decreased by 27.12% in total.

Sale and Distribution Costs

During the reporting period, the Group's sale and distribution cost was RMB131,011,000 and RMB110,278,000 for the period ended 30 June 2008 and 2007 respectively, representing an increase of 18.8%. This was mainly attributable to the increase in sales volume and the increase in the transportation cost which resulted from the increase in the fuel cost.

Administrative Expenses

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group's administrative expenses was RMB358,411,000 which increased by 56.4% over the same period of last year. The increase was mainly attributable to the expansion of the Group. The number of staff has increased accordingly by 14% (mainly related to the technical and management level). Salaries have increased resulting in an increase in the total staff cost by 34% (in Fujian). In addition, the increase in general price level has resulted in the increase in office expenses, travelling cost and entertainment expense which was accounted for the increase in the administrative expenses. The increase in the administrative costs was due to the expansion of the Group, the increase in the land use area, land use tax rate, the unavoidable tax payable, has increased land use expenses, compensation of loss of land and tax, etc.

Finance Costs

In the first half of 2008, the Group's finance cost was RMB151,707,000 which increased by 15.9% over the same period last year. It was mainly attributable to the resulting from the tightening of the monetary policy of the PRC and the increase in the bank loan interest.

Other Operating Costs

In the first half of year 2008, the Group's other operating costs were RMB135,809,000 which decreased by RMB66,180,000 over the same period last year.

During the reporting period, the fair value loss of the Group was RMB35,890,000 which is mainly due to the fair value loss of RMB7,340,000 on the gold and copper futures held by the Group. The loss of fair value loss in the equity investments at fair value through profit and loss (listed shares) held by Gold Mountains (H.K.) International Mining Company Limited was RMB28.55 million.

As at 30 June 2008, the gold and copper cathodes forward selling contract held by the Group was 820kg and 6,960 tonnes respectively and the unrealised loss was RMB7,340,000.

As at 30 June 2008, the realised gain of the futures amounted to RMB63,930,000. After considering the fair value loss of RMB7,340,000 for the futures, the net gain was RMB56,590,000.

Working capital and sources of fund

For the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Group's cash and cash equivalents were RMB7,138,795,000, increased by RMB4,954,285,000 or 226.79% over last year (31 December 2007: RMB2,184,510,000).

For six months ended 30 June, 2008, net cash in-flow generated from the Group's operating activities was RMB1,813,764,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB1,501,446,000), representing an increase of RMB312,318,000 over the corresponding period in 2007. The main reasons for the increase in the cash-flow generated from the Group's operating activities were mainly attributable to (i) increase in the price of gold, copper, iron and sulfuric acid; (ii) increase in the volume of gold and copper.

For six months ended 30 June, 2008, net cash out-flow from the Group's investment was RMB3,502,627,000 (Six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB2,041,663,000), representing an increase of RMB1,460,964,000 over the corresponding period last year. The increase in the net cash out-flow generated from the Group's investment was mainly due to the fact that: (i) the Group has increased the investment during the reporting period, has successfully acquired some minority interests in subsidiaries, and some other enterprises, and has increased the registered capital of some subsidiaries, and (ii) the Group has increased the investment in the Company's projects relating to mining technology innovation and expansion and has increased its investment in the subsidiaries' infrastructure. Accordingly, the capital expenditure has increased to certain extent over the corresponding period last year.

For six months ended 30 June, 2008, net cash in-flow generated from the Group's financing activities was RMB6,671,659,000 (six months ended 30 June 2007: RMB836,197,000), representing an increase of RMB5,835,462,000 over the corresponding period last year. The increase was mainly attributable to the success of listing of the Group's A share in Mainland China, through which the Group has raised a net proceed of RMB9,806,960,000.

As at 30 June 2008, the Group's total borrowings amounted to RMB2,623,049,000 (30 June 2007: RMB6,028,003,000). Among which, the amount repayable within one year was RMB1,400,675,000, the amount repayable in the first to the second year was RMB112,119,000, the amount repayable in the third to fifth year was RMB1,076,255,000, and the amount repayable over five years was RMB34,000,000. The interest rates of all the bank borrowings range from 2.25% to 7.84% (30 June 2007: range from 2.25% to 6.70%).

It is expected that the Group's working capital and capital expenditures will be financed from the internal resources. The Company's fund has been strengthened after the listing of A Shares. The Group also has a substantial amount of uncommitted long-term and short-term loan facilities provided by its major banks.

Gearing Ratio

Gearing ratio refers to the proportion of consolidated total liabilities to the consolidated total equity. As at 30 June 2008, the Group's consolidated liabilities amounted to RMB6,408,460,000 (30 June 2007: RMB8,536,431,000) and the Group's consolidated equity was RMB19,190,320,000 (30 June 2007: RMB5,403,327,000). As at 30 June 2008, the gearing ratio of the Group was 0.33 (30 June 2007: 1.58).

Investment Status

1. Use of proceeds

The Company's IPO raised the net proceeds of RMB9,806,960,200 in April 2008 in the PRC. As at 30 June 2008, the accumulated use of the proceeds is RMB5,306,605,200 and the details are set out below:

RMB'000						
Items	Project Name	Proposed investment sum	Project amended	On schedule	Total amount of investment as at 30 June 2008	Project progress
1	Zijinshan Gold and Copper Mine joint open pit mining project	1,521,040.80	No	Yes	614,951.70	Construction stage
2	Hunchun Zijin Shuguang Gold and Copper Mine technological innovation project	461,500.00	No	Yes	200,000.00	Construction stage
3	200 tonnes daily gold processing and refining project	198,380.00	No	Yes	198,380.00	Completed construction and commence production
4	Mining resources exploration project	357,000.00	No	Yes	145,618.80	In the progress of exploration
5	Acquisition of the exploration right in Sino-Lao Wuziqilong Jin Copper Lake geological extensive exploration area project	198,000.00	No	Yes	165,000.00	In the progress of change of mining right
6	Capital injection in Zijin Tongguan for the acquisition of equity interest in Montecarlo Metals plc project	603,000.00	No	Yes	603,000.00	Completed capital injection
7	Acquisition and development of the ZGC Gold Mine in Tajikistan	1,305,345.00	No	Yes	505,000.00	Completed acquisition and is in the construction and development stage
8	Acquisition of 70% interest in Zijin Longxing which has the mining right in the Tuva Lead Zinc Mine in the Republic of Tuva	271,600.00	No	Yes	197,160.00	Completed acquisition and is in the construction and development stage
Grand Total		4,915,865.80			2,629,110.50	

As at 30 June 2008, the Company has invested RMB2.629 billion in the investment projects, of which, RMB2.36 billion was raised before listing of the Company's A shares. That part of fund has been approved by the Board of the Company to swap the proceeds and has been disclosed on 24 June 2008 according to the related disclosure requirement.

According to the Company's undertaking stated in the prospectus of its A share listing, if the proceeds from the A share listing exceed the required capital in the projects mentioned above, the remaining sum will be used as the working capital of the Group. If the proceeds from A share listing is not sufficient to cover the required capital, then the remaining sum will be raised by the Company through other means. The proceeds from the A share listing has exceeded the required capital of the investment projects. As at 30 June 2008, the Company has used RMB2,677,494,700 as the working capital which are used in the Group's principle activities.

The unused net proceeds amounting to RMB4,500,355,000 was put in specific bank accounts of the Company which generated interest income of RMB3,859,800.

2. Other investments

(1) Acquisition of a 24% equity interest of Guannan Longxing

On 18 January 2008, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Yunan Jinfeng Company Limited (renamed as Zijin Mining Group South West Company Limited) ("South West Company") entered into an "Equity interest replacement agreement" with Su Jingyu, Liu Zhengong and Chen Huanlong separately. The 17.5% equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao Economy and Trading Company Limited ("Yunnan Zhongtao") owned by the Group, were replaced with a 7% equity interest in Guannan Longxing Mining Company Limited ("Guannan Longxing") owned by So Jingyu, and the price difference of the replacement of RMB2.275 million was settled in cash by Su Jingyu; a 20% of equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao owned by the Group were replaced with a 8% equity interest in Guannan Longxing owned by Liu Zhengong. The price difference of the replacement of RMB2.6 million was settled by cash of Liu Zhengong. The 22.5% equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao which the Group owned were replaced with the 9% equity interest in Guannan Longxing owned by Chen Huanlong and the price difference of the replacement of RMB2.925 million was settled in cash by Chen Huanlong. After the completion of the above replacements, South West Company has no equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao and the equity interest in Guanna Longxing owned by the Group increased from 51% to 75%. South West Company originally held 60% equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao and decided to withdraw due to the business restructuring. Guannan Longxing engaged in gold mining which produced 450kg of gold annually.

As at 31 December 2007, the independent third party's assessed fair value of all equity interest in Yunnan Zhongtao was RMB85.771 million, and that of Guannan Longxing was RMB 184.0382 million.

(2) Acquisition of equity interest in Kingbao Mining

Gold Mountain (H.K.) International Mining Company Limited ("Gold Mountains Hong Kong"), the subsidiary of the Group, has reached an agreement with Wanbao Mining Company Limited ("Wanbao Mining") on 18 April 2008. Gold Mountains Hong Kong acquired 40% equity interest and US\$1,439,487 loan interest in Kingbao Mining Limited ("Kingbao Mining") from Wanbao Mining. The total consideration was US\$20,000,000. The project is pending for the approval of the related departments. After the completion of the acquisition, Gold Mountains Hong Kong has 90% equity interest in Kingbao Mining. Kingbao Mining has formed a jointly-controlled entity with No.3 Mining Enterprise of the Mining Department in the Union of Myanmar which is mainly engaged in the development of the Mwetaung nickel mineral exploration project. Kingbao Mining has 80% equity interest in the jointly-controlled entity.

According to the valuation of an independent third party, the fair value of Mwetaung nickel mineral exploration project amounted to US\$64,414,810.

(3) Capital Increase in Fujian Zijin Real Estate Company Limited

According to the Company's extraordinary board resolution on 30 April 2008, the Company injected RMB180,000,000 in Fujian Zijin Real Estate Company Limited. Thereafter, its registered capital increased from RMB20 million to RMB200 million. The company plans to develop the "Zijin Garden" in Xiamen.

(4) Acquisition of a 60% equity interest of Gansu Yate

On 2 May 2008, Gansu Jinhui Wine Group Company Limited ("Jinhui Wine") and the Company entered into "Equity swap agreement" and "Equity transfer agreement". Accordingly a 15% equity interest in Wancheng Commercial Company Limited ("Wancheng Commercial") owned by the Company was swapped with the 32% equity interest in Gansu Yate Mining Company Limited ("Yate Mining") owned by Jinhui Wine. On the other hand, the Group acquired a 28% equity interest of Yate Mining owned by Jinhui Wine for a consideration of RMB117,700,000. According to the valuation report issued by an independent third party, as at 31 March 2008, the assessed fair value of all equity interest of Wancheng Commercial was RMB910,828,000, and that of Yate Mining was RMB416,280,100. By the completion of the above swap and transfer of the equity interest, the Company owned a 60% equity interest in Yate Mining. Yate Mining owned the mining right in the Gansu Li county Dujiagou Gold Mine with an area of 26.0448 km sq. The production capacity was 1,350,000 tonnes of ore per year. After the acquisition, the Company would enhance the resource exploration and reorganise its development plan.

(5) Capital increase of Tibet Yulong

In order to expedite the development of Tibet Yulong Copper Mine, according to the resolution of the extraordinary shareholders' meeting of Tibet Yulong Copper Company Limited ("Yulong Copper") on 9 May 2008, the shareholders would have capital injection to Yulong Copper in proportion to increase the registered capital of Yulong Copper from RMB625 million to RMB1,225 million. The Company had a 22% equity interest in Yulong Copper and the corresponding capital injection was RMB132 million.

(6) Capital increase of Fujian Zijin Investment Company Limited (wholly-owned subsidiary)

For the purpose of the business development (domestic projects) in the Fujian Zijin Investment Company Limited, according to the Company's extraordinary board resolution on 13 May 2008, the Group agreed to increase the registered capital of Fujian Zijin Investment Company Limited from RMB200 million to RMB550 million.

(7) Acquisition of 13% shares of Wulatehouqi Zijin

On 4 June 2008, the Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, Zijin International Mining Company Limited ("Zijin International") entered into a "Share acquisition agreement" with Liu Daonan to acquire in total a 13% equity interest in the Company's non wholly-owned subsidiary, Wulatehouqi Zijin Mining Company Limited ("Wuhou Zijin") for a cash consideration of RMB140,000,000. After the completion of the acquisition, the equity interest in Wuhou Zijin owned by Zijin International increased from 60% to 73%. Wuhou Zijin is mainly engaged in the production of lead and zinc mines. During the reporting period, the net profit for Wuhou Zijin amounted to RMB87,037,100 while the net profit attributable to the Group was RMB63,537,100.

The independent third party's assessed fair value of 13% equity interest in Wuhou Zijin was RMB146,227,500.

Save as those disclosed above, the Group did not have any other substantial purchase and disposal of subsidiaries and associated companies during this reporting period.

Connected Transaction

1. Connected transaction of provision of exploitation service in Zijinshan Gold Mine, Qinghai Deerni Copper Mine by Fujian Xinhua Engineering Company Limited

Parties of the connected transaction	Content of the connected transaction	Pricing principles of the connected transaction	Annual Cap	Total consideration of actual connected transaction in this year	Ratio of the similar transaction	Payment methods of the connected transaction
			RMB'000	RMB'000		
Fujian Xinhua Engineering Company Limited	Zijinshan Gold Mine exploitation	Market price	250,000	56,000	46.55%	Cash
Fujian Xinhua Engineering Company Limited	Qinghai Deerni Copper Mining exploitation	Market price	50,000	14,800	11.99%	Cash

2. Connected transaction from acquisition and disposal of assets

Parties of the connected transaction	Content of the connected transaction	Pricing principles of the connected transaction	Assessed value	Price	Payment method
			RMB	RMB	
Liu Daonan	Acquisition of a 13% equity interest of Wulatehouqi Zijin	Assessed price	146,227,500	140,000,000	Cash

6. OUTLOOK

Business environment

It is estimated that the global political and economic situation will remain the same in the second half of 2008. The geopolitical tension, high oil price, the trend of US dollar, and the volume of gold production will not change substantially in a short period of time, the global high gold price will be maintained high. With the slowdown of inflation and the growth of the world's economy, the demand and supply in the basic metal market will change. The macro economic environment will have a certain effect on the mining industry.

Business Objectives

After considering the Group's production performance in the first half of 2008, and the projected production and the actual production condition and capacity of all entities in the second half of 2008, the Board has decided not to adjust the production and operation plan of 2008.

Please note that the above plan was made on the basis of the current market situation and the existing conditions of the Company. The Board may vary the production plan from time to time in accordance with the relevant circumstances.

Business Strategy

1. Gold Mine Business

Zijinshan Gold Copper Mine will endeavour to handle the relationship between its infrastructure investment and its production, to perform well in its fund raising projects – joint mining of the gold and copper mines, to prepare for the technological innovation and exploration of the deep and the surrounding area, to achieve the production target for 2008, to increase its production and to take the lead in the industry. In relation to Guizhou Shuiyindong Gold Mine, emphasis will be put on the safety and environmental protection measures, to carry out phase 3 of the technology innovation project, to have a good organisation so as to achieve the annual production target and complete the construction of infrastructure. In relation to Hunchun Zijin Shuguang Gold Mine, the Group will ensure that it will fully achieve the annual production target and endeavour to complete the technology innovation and expansion project by using the fund raised. Chongli Zijin will enhance the production system, perfect the technology innovation and inspection of the extension of the work site, and achieve its annual target. Shanxi Zijin will focus on the construction of a tailing pool, intensify the work on the exploration of mines and increase reserves so as to achieve the annual production target. Luoyang Yinhui shall actively explore sources of raw materials, expand and develop its own gold mines, and control the risk of gold trading. Other companies will strengthen their management implement, safety and environmental protection measures, and gradually build a solid production foundation according to the actual situation of each mine.

2. Copper Mine Business

The Ashele Copper Mine will endeavour to improve its production system, overcome the problem of lowering the mining grade and the insufficient ore production, expedite the implementation of the second phase of the 1,500t/d process system construction project so as to enhance its production capacity and the utilisation of the tailings. The Qinghai Deerni Copper Mine will improve the operation efficiency of its mechanical equipment, overcome the difficulties of production on a plateau, and achieve the production target as soon as possible. These two mines have to ensure the efficient use of the tailing (iron sulfate ore). The Zijinshan Copper Mine will put emphasis on the copper mining project other than the open pit mining, speed up the development of under-ground place, improve the safety facilities and stabilise the production capacity. The Duobaoshan Copper Mine will expedite the preparatory work of the project and endeavour to commence the project as soon as possible.

3. Zinc Mine Business

The Bayannaor Zinc Refinery Plant will streamline its management, stabilise its production capacity, expedite the second phase of construction work, carry out the transformation of sulfate project so as to enhance the company's overall competitiveness. Wulatehouqi will arrange exploitation and technology innovation work, improve its production and mining balance, utilise different resources, increase streams of income and expedite the preparatory work of the Sanguikou project, and endeavour to commence construction in the coming year.

4. Overseas Business

The ZGC Gold Mine Project in Tajikistan needs to secure the achievement and emphasis on the development and examination of the Taror Gold (Copper) Mine. It will properly organise and improve its production system, ensure a steady supply of raw materials for production and strict cost control and promote employee's morale so as to achieve the production target of the year.

The Rio-blanco Project in Peru needs to rely on the influence of some local people or organisations to solve the local community issues, the demonstration of major technical project and to gradually carry out the project.

The design of Tuva Lead Zinc Mine Project has been approved by the government of the Tuva Republic. It will expedite the process in obtaining the work approval. It will also carry out the preparation work and to endeavour to commence the construction this year.

For other overseas projects, all the entities will place emphasis in monitoring the progress of the projects and will achieve the target of obtaining resources so as to contribute to the growth of the Group.

5. Other Business

The Mengku Iron Mine will take advantage of the rising selling price, emphasis on the technological innovation, enhance its mining capability and to achieve its production target. In addition, it will expedite the winter production project so as to ensure that production can be commenced in winter this year.

In relation to the Fuyun Jinshan Reduction Iron Project, the Group will improve the production technology and the production. Its mines will carry out the production and exploration, and increase reserves. In addition, the Group will enhance the fundamental work in order to achieve production target.

Xinyi Zijin will strengthen the coordination work and aim to have a trial run as planned.

Malipo Zijin will integrate the resources, put an emphasis on internal and external coordination, and take steps to commence production. In addition, it will improve its production capacity, enhance its internal management and achieve the target volume of reserves, have a good planning of mining sites and maintain steady progress in project integration.

Resources Control

The Group will continue to increase the Group's reserve by mergers and acquisitions, and other efficient methods, so as to further enhance the follow-up and operation of potential gold mine projects, highlight gold as the main business, and try to acquire domestic and overseas large gold mines in the second half of year 2008. The Group will also increase its investment in geological exploration, and try to make a breakthrough in the area of mine exploration and reserve volume.

Corporate Management

The Group has defined the regional management mode. In the second half of the year, the Group will gradually deal with the ownership in each region and integrate resources in order to enhance the efficiency in operation and decision making. Accordingly, the controlling centre of management, investment, human resources, supervision and service provision of each region will be well established.

Further, the Group will enhance the supervision and the awareness of environmental protection and safety so as to raise the management standard of environmental protection and safety in resources exploitation.

7. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Interim dividend

The Board proposed to pay no dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2008. (The dividend for the six months ended 30 June 2007 was nil)

Purchase, Redemption or Sale of Listed Securities of the Company

Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries purchased, redeemed or sold any of the Company's listed securities during the six months ended 30 June 2008.

Corporate Governance

Mr. Chen Jinghe is both the Chairman of the Board and President of the Company. The Board considers that although such structure deviates from Rule A.2.1 of the Code of Corporate Governance Practices, the effective operation of the Group will not be impaired as Mr. Chen, being a specialist in technology development and management in the mining industry, was a founder of the Group and has gained wide respect within the Group.

Save as those disclosed above, for the six months ended 30 June 2008, the Board considered that the Group has adopted and complied with the code provisions of the Code on Corporate Governance Practices and has followed most of its recommended best practices with no deviation (for details, please refer to the Group's 2007 Annual Report).

Audit Committee

The audit committee has reviewed the Group's adopted accounting methods, standards, principles, internal controls, and financial reports and has reviewed the unaudited financial report for the six months ended 30 June 2008. The audit committee agreed to the Group's financial report for the six months ended 30 June 2008 and the accounting methods, standards, and principles so adopted, and considered that it is in compliance with the legal and disclosure requirements.

Independent non-executive directors

In compliance with rules 3.10(1) and 3.10(2) of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited ("Listing Rules"), the Company appointed sufficient number of independent non-executive directors and that at least one of them possesses the appropriate professional qualifications or accounting or related financial management expertise. The Company appointed 4 independent non-executive directors and one of them possesses accounting and related financial management expertise. Details of the independent non-executive directors have been provided in the Group's 2007 annual report.

Securities Transactions by Directors of listed issuers

During the reporting period, the Company adopted the required standards set out in the Model Code for Securities Transactions by Directors of Listed Issuers ("Model Code") in Appendix 10 of the Listing Rules. Having made a detailed inquiry, it was noted that no director and/or supervisor of the Company has violated the requirements relating to securities transactions provided in the Model Code. As at 30 June 2008, the Group confirmed that all directors and supervisors complied with the Model Code.

Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

(1) Interests of Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management in the Issued Shares of The Company

As at 30 June 2006, Mr Chen Jinghe, the Chairman of the Board and President of the Company held 114,594,000 shares and Mr Liu Xiaochu, the Vice Chairmen, held 4,828,400 shares in the Company.

During the reporting period, there is no change in the interests of the directors, supervisors and senior management in the issued shares of the Company.

(2) Appointment and Resignation of Directors, Supervisors and Senior Management

The Company convened 2007 annual general meeting on 20 June 2008. In the meeting, the shareholders approved the resignation of Mr. Ke Xiping as a non-executive director and appointed Mr. Peng Jiaqing as a non-executive director.

Major Litigation and Arbitration

The Company has no major litigation or arbitration during the reporting period.

A Shares Listing

Under the approval document “ZhengJianXuKe[2008]417” from China Securities Regulatory Commission and the approval document “ShangZhengShangZi[2008]29” from Shanghai Stock Exchange, the Company issued 1,400,000,000 A shares and listed on Shanghai Stock Exchange at RMB7.13 per share (face value RMB0.1) on 25 April 2008. Tian Jian Hua Zheng Zhong Zhou (Beijing) CPA Limited carried out an audit on 22 April 2008 for the fund raised in the IPO and issued “TianJianHuaZhengZhongZhouYan(2008)GF02005” capital verification report. The net proceeds of this A Shares IPO is RMB9,806,960,200.

Post Balance Sheet Event

- (1) Incorporation Zijin Mining Group North-East Asia Company Limited
According to the extraordinary board resolution of the Company on 20 June 2008, the Company invested RMB500,000,000 on 3 July 2008 to incorporate a wholly-owned subsidiary, Zijin Mining Group North-East Asia Company Limited. The company will be responsible for the Group’s investment and management business in the three provinces in North-east of the PRC, Russia, North Korea, and South Korea.
- (2) Incorporation of Zijin Mining Group Inner Mongolia Company Limited
According to the extraordinary board resolution of the Company on 10 July 2008, the Company will invest RMB100,000,000 for the incorporation of a wholly-owned subsidiary, Zijin Mining Group Inner Mongolia Company Limited. The company will be responsible for the investment and management of the Group’s business in Inner Mongolia region.
- (3) Capital injection in the Zijin Mining Group South-west Company Limited
According to the extraordinary board resolution of the Company on 10 July 2008, the Company will inject RMB100,000,000 to increase its registered capital from RMB200,000,000 to RMB300,000,000 for the acquisition of the minority interest in the Shangri-la Huaxi Mining Company Limited.

Disclosure for Interim Report on the Website of the Hong Kong Stock Exchange

When appropriate, the Company will post all the information as required by Appendix 16 of the Listing Rules at The Hong Kong Stock Exchange Limited’s website (<http://www.hkex.com.hk>).

This announcement is written in both Chinese and English. In the case of any discrepancies, the Chinese version of this report shall prevail over its English version.

By Order of the Board
Zijin Mining Group Co., Ltd.*
Chen Jinghe
Chairman

Fujian, PRC 28 July 2008

As at the date of this announcement, the Board of Directors of the Company comprises Messrs. Chen Jinghe (Chairman), Liu Xiaochu, Luo Yingnan, Lan Fusheng, Huang Xiaodong, and Zou Laichang as executive directors, Mr. Peng Jiaqing as non-executive director, and Messrs. Chen Yuchuan, Su Congfu, Lin Yongjing, and Loong Ping Kwan as independent non-executive directors.

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